REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

The undersigned party hereby declines to consent to the assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District Judge.

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